



LOUISIANA NATURAL AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM

PERMIT APPLICATIONPermit # 927 (Assigned by Department)

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries' Scenic Rivers program is authorized by LRS title 56, Chapter 9 Part II. This law requires permits authorizing activities in or affecting rivers that have been designated by the Louisiana Legislature as Natural and Scenic. Information provided on this form will be used in evaluating the application for a permit. Information in this application is made a matter of public record through issuance of a public notice. Disclosure of the information requested is voluntary, however, the data requested are necessary in order to communicate with the applicant and to evaluate the permit application. If necessary information is not provided, the permit application cannot be processed nor can a permit be issued.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant City of New Orleans, Public Works	Name of Agent (if any) Volkert, Inc.
Address New Orleans City Hall	Address 3466 Drusilla Lane
Address 1300 Perdido Street, Suite 6W03	Address Suite A
City, State, Zip New Orleans, LA 70112	City, State, Zip Baton Rouge, LA 70809
Phone 504-658-8403	Phone 225-218-9440

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY

Brief summary of the description and purpose of the proposed activity (details to be attached as a separate document)
The purpose of the project is to correct structural deficiencies noted in the 2011 bridge inspection report in order to preserve the historic bridge while also maintaining connectivity and walkability in the Faubourg St. John Neighborhood.
Is any portion of the activity complete? YES or NO (If yes, indicate month and year of completion)

LOCATION OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY

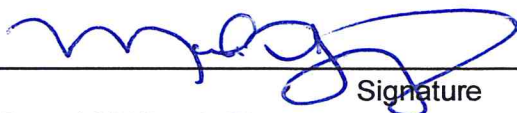
Stream Name	Bayou St. John	Names, Addresses, Phone Numbers of Adjacent Property Owners
Parish	Orleans	Mark J. McRae, 1347 Moss St., New Orleans, LA 70119
Section		Michael C. Boyce, 1355 Moss St., New Orleans, LA 70119
Township	T 12 S	Patricia S. Howard, 1355 Moss St., New Orleans, LA 70119
Range	R 11 E	Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, 1400 Moss St., New Orleans, LA 70119
Latitude/Longitude	29.980955, -90.088745	

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Must be a separate document. See the attached instruction sheet for completing the assessment.

CONFIRMATION OF INFORMATION ACCURACY

Application is hereby made for a Scenic River Permit to authorize the activities described herein. I certify that I am familiar with the information contained in this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, such information is true, complete, and accurate. I further certify that I possess the authority to undertake the proposed activities, or I am acting as the duly authorized agent of the applicant.


Signature3/4/2015

Date



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March 18, 2015

LDWF Scenic Rivers Program
P.O. Box 98000
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

Re: Application for a Scenic Rivers Permit for the City of New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana pertaining to the Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge restoration project.

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the City of New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, please find enclosed a Scenic Rivers Permit application for the restoration of the historic Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge located on Harding Drive between West Moss Street and East Moss Street spanning Bayou Saint John. The repair/rehabilitation work includes repair of main structural support systems, repair of pavement, repainting, and servicing all problems noted in the 2011 bridge report. Sheet pile will be placed behind current retaining walls and capped with concrete. The existing retaining walls that are still intact will remain as redundant systems. The Magnolia Bridge is a central component of the city's pedestrian and bicycle connectivity, and its restoration and rehabilitation is essential to the community's initiative to develop and maintain a livable community. If there are any questions or concerns about the enclosed application please contact Lisa Fruge by phone at (225) 218-9440 or by e-mail (lisa.fruge@Volkert.com) at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Bryan Long
Volkert, Inc.
Environmental Project Manager

c: Brian Jones, P.E., City of New Orleans Department of Public Works
Lisa Fruge, Volkert

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Environmental Assessment
For Louisiana Natural and Scenic Rivers System
Permit Application
for the City of New Orleans, Louisiana
Magnolia Bridge Pedestrian Bridge Rehabilitation Project

March 31, 2015

1) Existing Land Use:

No adverse impacts are expected. The project includes the rehabilitation of an existing pedestrian bridge. The area surrounding the project site is entirely urban residential. The project is consistent with the local land use. As a result, the project is not expected to affect land use.

2) Wilderness Qualities:

No adverse impacts are expected. The project is located in an entirely developed urban residential area and includes the rehabilitation of an existing bridge. As a result, the project is not expected to affect wilderness quality.

3) Scenic Values:

No adverse impacts are expected. The project includes the rehabilitation of an existing pedestrian bridge that is deteriorated. As a result, it is expected that the project will not adversely affect scenic values. By rehabilitating the bridge, it is expected that the scenic value of the bridge will improve.

4) Ecological Regimes:

No adverse impacts are expected. The project is located in an entirely developed urban residential area with maintained lawns and includes the rehabilitation of an existing bridge that crosses Bayou St. John. As a result, no impacts to ecological regimes are expected.

5) Recreational Use/ Opportunities:

No adverse impacts are expected. Recreational activities, such as kayaking, in Bayou St. John will be temporarily interrupted during construction. Pedestrian/bicycle traffic will also be temporarily interrupted during construction, but will be able to cross Bayou St. John via either the Dumaine Street Bridge located south of the Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge or the Esplanade Avenue Bridge north of the Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge.

6) Aesthetic Value:

No adverse impacts are expected. The project includes the rehabilitation of an existing pedestrian bridge that is deteriorated. As a result, it is expected that the project will not adversely affect aesthetic values. By rehabilitating the bridge, it is expected that the aesthetic value of the bridge will improve.

7) Fish and Other Aquatic Life:

No adverse impacts are expected. Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented during the rehabilitation activities to minimize potential adverse impacts to water quality. Coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) as well as the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) were conducted via

Solicitation of Views (during CE Checklist process). The USFWS indicated that there are no federally listed threatened or endangered species that occur within the proposed project area. The LDWF indicated that from the review of their database, no impacts to rare, threatened, or endangered species or critical habitats are anticipated for the proposed project.

8) Wildlife:

No adverse impacts are expected. Coordination with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) as well as the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) were conducted via Solicitation of Views (during CE Checklist process). The USFWS indicated that there are no federally listed threatened or endangered species that occur within the proposed project area. The LDWF indicated that from the review of their database, no impacts to rare, threatened, or endangered species or critical habitats are anticipated for the proposed project. The wildlife species that currently utilize the bridge will be able to continue to use the bridge.

9) Historical and Archaeological Resources:

No adverse impacts are expected. The Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places; however, the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Officer has concurred that the rehabilitation efforts are not considered to be an adverse effect on the historic bridge. No other historic structures, archaeological sites, or cemeteries would be impacted by the proposed project.

10) Geological Resources:

No adverse impacts are expected. The proposed project includes the rehabilitation of an existing pedestrian bridge. As a result, sub-surface geological resources will not be affected by the project.

11) Botanical Resources (Vegetation):

No adverse impacts are expected. Vegetation in the project site consists of a mowed and maintained lawn. Any areas that are disturbed during the project will be re-vegetated by sodding.

12) Water Quality and Quantity:

No adverse impacts are expected. Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented during the rehabilitation activities to minimize potential adverse impacts to water quality and quantity.

13) Hydrologic Features:

No adverse impacts are expected. Coordination with the Orleans Parish Floodplain Administrator was conducted via the Solicitation of Views (during CE Checklist process). The Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge spans over Bayou St. John which is

designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as Zone A5 (high risk flood area) and the bridge connects two areas designated Zone B (protected by levees from 100 year floods). The proposed rehabilitation efforts are not expected to impact floodplains, regulated floodways or base flood elevations. The proposed project is compliant with National Flood Insurance Program guidelines.

14) Economic Impact of the Project:

No adverse impacts are expected. No commercial, industrial, residential properties will be affected by construction or operation. Positive impacts are expected. The proposed project will benefit both Cabrini High School and Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church by providing a rehabilitated bridge for pedestrian and bicyclist use.



State of Louisiana

BOBBY JINDAL
GOVERNOR

DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

ROBERT J. BARHAM
SECRETARY

Dear Scenic River Permit Applicant:

Please review and concur on the following statement regarding the issuance of permits by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. This agreement must be signed and returned before a Scenic River Permit can be issued.

"I have been advised and do understand that by applying for and accepting a Scenic Rivers permit issued by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, I am being allowed to engage in an activity which would otherwise be prohibited by law or for which a permit is required. I understand that the permit is not a license and confers no property right upon me. I specifically agree to abide by all State and Federal fish and wildlife laws and regulations, and all State and Federal laws and regulations which relate to this permit or the permitted activity, and by all other terms and conditions of this permit. I understand that the permit for which I am applying may be suspended, annulled, withdrawn or revoked and that I may be assessed civil penalties, all in accordance with the provision of the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, and that I may be denied future permits as a consequence of my failure to fully and completely comply with the terms and conditions of the permit, as well as other laws and regulations pertinent thereto. If served with or notified of a cease and desist order signed by the Scenic Rivers Administrator, I agree to immediately and without delay cease all activities and operations which relate to the permitted activity or which are impacting the Scenic River, until such time as the matter can be resolved in an adjudicatory hearing pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act. I understand and agree that any permit issued to me by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is in the nature of a privilege which is being voluntarily extended to me by the Department and the failure on my part to cooperate with the Department can result in the loss of the privilege conferred and the denial of future requests for permits. By accepting this permit, I evidence my agreement to be bound by all conditions and stipulations set forth herein."



Authorized Signature

2/23/2015

Date

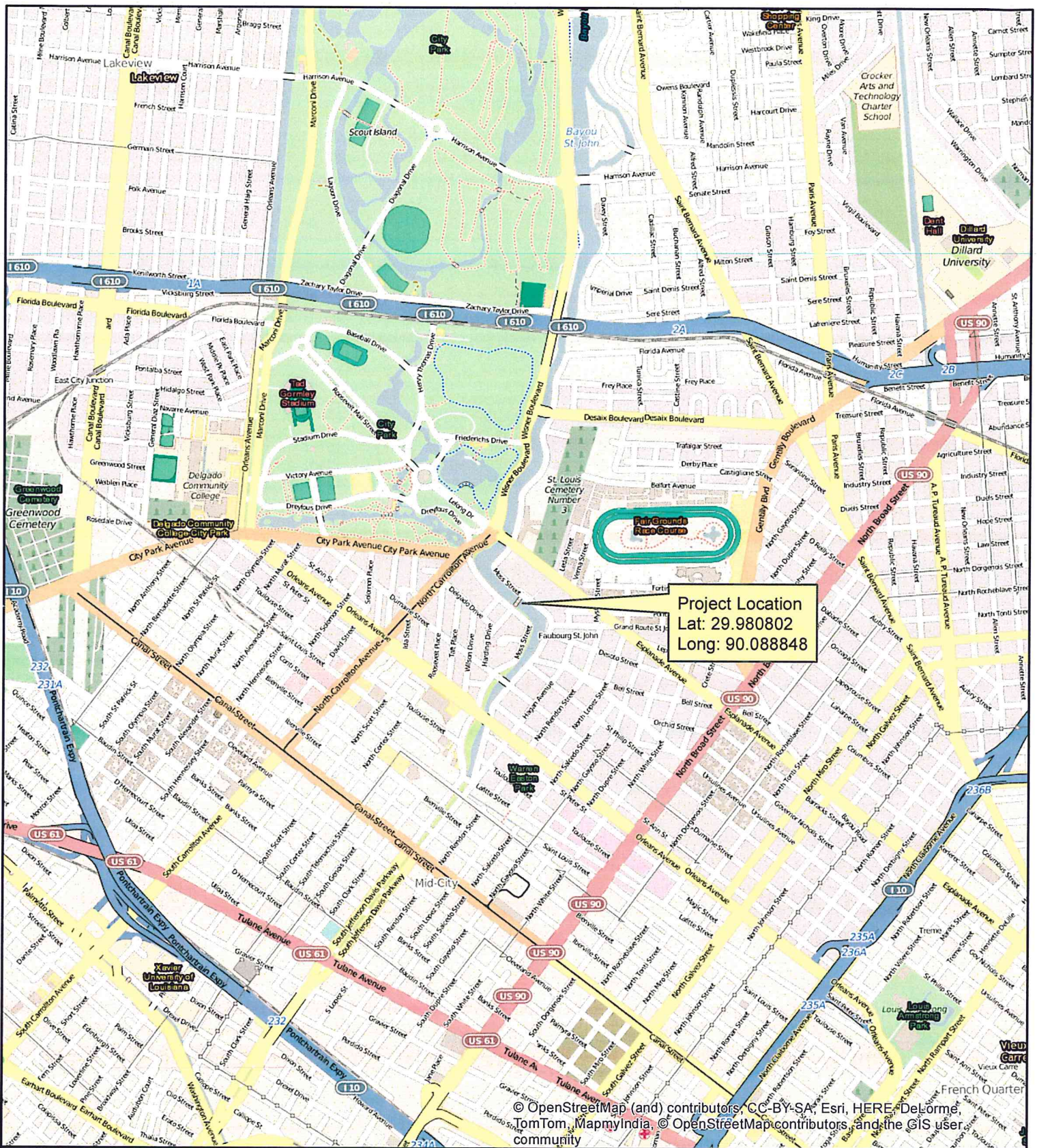
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List of Steps Taken to Minimize Impacts to Bayou St. John

1. Contractor will be required to submit his plan to contain all the debris generated during paint removal operations.
2. Contractor will be required to submit a written pollution control and monitoring plan at the preconstruction meeting. The written plan must be in accordance with SSPC Project Design: Industrial Lead Paint Removal Handbook Volume II, Phase 6, Environmental Monitoring.
3. The Contractor must follow the environmental requirements found in:
 - a. 40 CFR 50, "National Primary and Secondary Ambient Air Quality Standards"
 - b. 40 CFR 60, "Standards for Performance for New Stationary Sources" Appendix A, Test Methods
 - c. 40 CFR 261, "Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste"
 - d. 40 CFR 262, "Standards Applicable to Generators of Hazardous Waste"
 - e. 40 CFR 263, "Standards Applicable to Transportation of Hazardous Waste"
 - f. 40 CFR 264, "Standards for Owners and Operators of Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities"
 - g. 40 CFR 268, "Land Disposal Restrictions"
 - h. EPA SW-846, "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste-Physical/Chemical Methods"
 - i. Louisiana Revised Statutes (La. R.S.) 30:2001, et seq., "Louisiana Environmental Quality Act" and enabling regulations found in Louisiana's "Environmental Regulatory Code: (most recent addition), particularly :
 - i. Louisiana Administrative Code (LAC) 33:IX.101 et seq., "Water Quality Regulations"
 - ii. LAC 33:V.101 et seq., "Hazardous Waste and Hazardous Materials"
 - iii. LAC 33:III.101 et seq., "Air Quality Regulations"
 - iv. La. R.S. 49:214.21 et seq., "State and Local Coastal Resources Management Act of 1978: and enabling regulations found in the LAC"
 - v. LAC 43:I.701, et seq., "Coastal Management"

Statement of Compliance History:

The City of New Orleans located in Orleans Parish, Louisiana, has proposed a project to repair and rehabilitate the Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge. Directions to the bridge are as follows: Take I-10 W toward Baton Rouge. Keep right to I-610 W/NO Intl Airport/Baton Rouge. Take exit 2C for Paris Ave. then left onto Paris Ave. Take first right onto Gentilly Blvd. Turn right onto Desaix Blvd. Turn left onto Moss St. Approximate address is 1398 Moss Street, New Orleans, LA 70119. The bridge is located near the corner of Moss and Harding Street. The rehabilitation was proposed in an effort to save a historic landmark and also to preserve pedestrian accessibility to the neighborhoods, schools, and parks located in the vicinity. The repair/rehabilitation has yet to begin any actual construction. So far the project is in permitting phases and construction drawings finalization. Since the project has yet to begin, there have been zero citations, violations, or authorizations associated with the proposed activity. To ensure no citations, violations, or incidents occur during construction/ rehabilitation of the bridge, construction best management plans (CBMP) and stormwater runoff compliance (NPDES) will be applied, regulated, and verified before, during, and after rehabilitation of the bridge commences. To conclude, no violation/citations have been associated with the Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge rehabilitation and to ensure compliance with all state and federal permitting, a CBMP and a NPDES will be done prior to any rehabilitation activities.



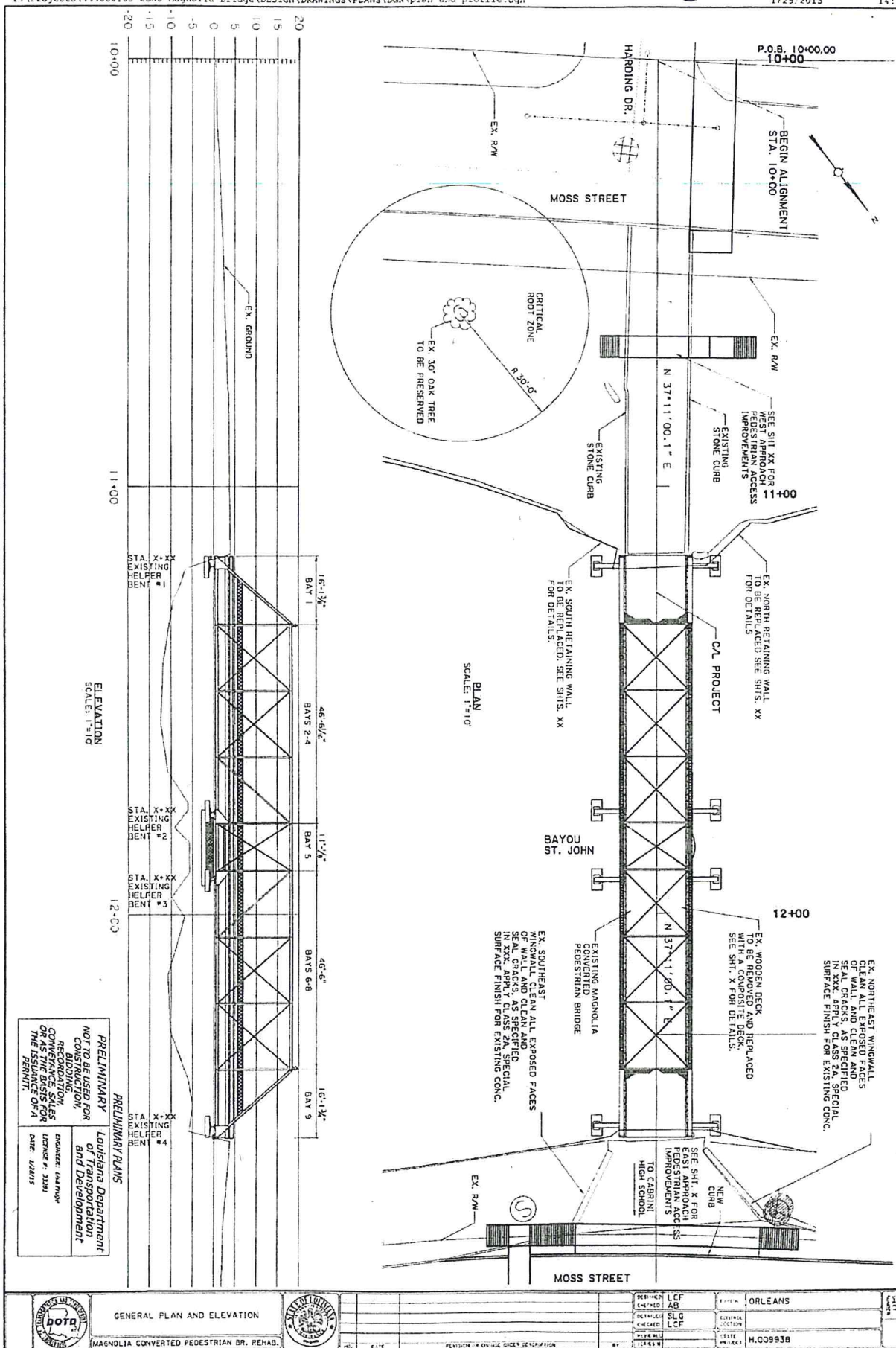
Louisiana
Orleans Parish

City of New Orleans
Magnolia Pedestrian Bridge Design Location Map
General Location Map of Magnolia Bridge
Located in the City of New Orleans
Orleans Parish, Louisiana
Volkert # 444800.12

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1 inch = 2,000 feet





MAGNOLIA CONVERTED PEDESTRIAN BR. REHAB.

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SECTION A-A



REQD. LEGEND:

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REMOVAL OF CONCRETE CURB	
REMOVAL OF CURB	

PRELIMINARY PLAN

**PRELIMINARY
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OR SALES**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS**

ENGINEER: C. M. HARRIS
ARCHT.: J. W. BROWN
DATE: JULY 15, 1970

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MAGNOLIA CONVERTED PEDESTRIAN BR. REHAB.

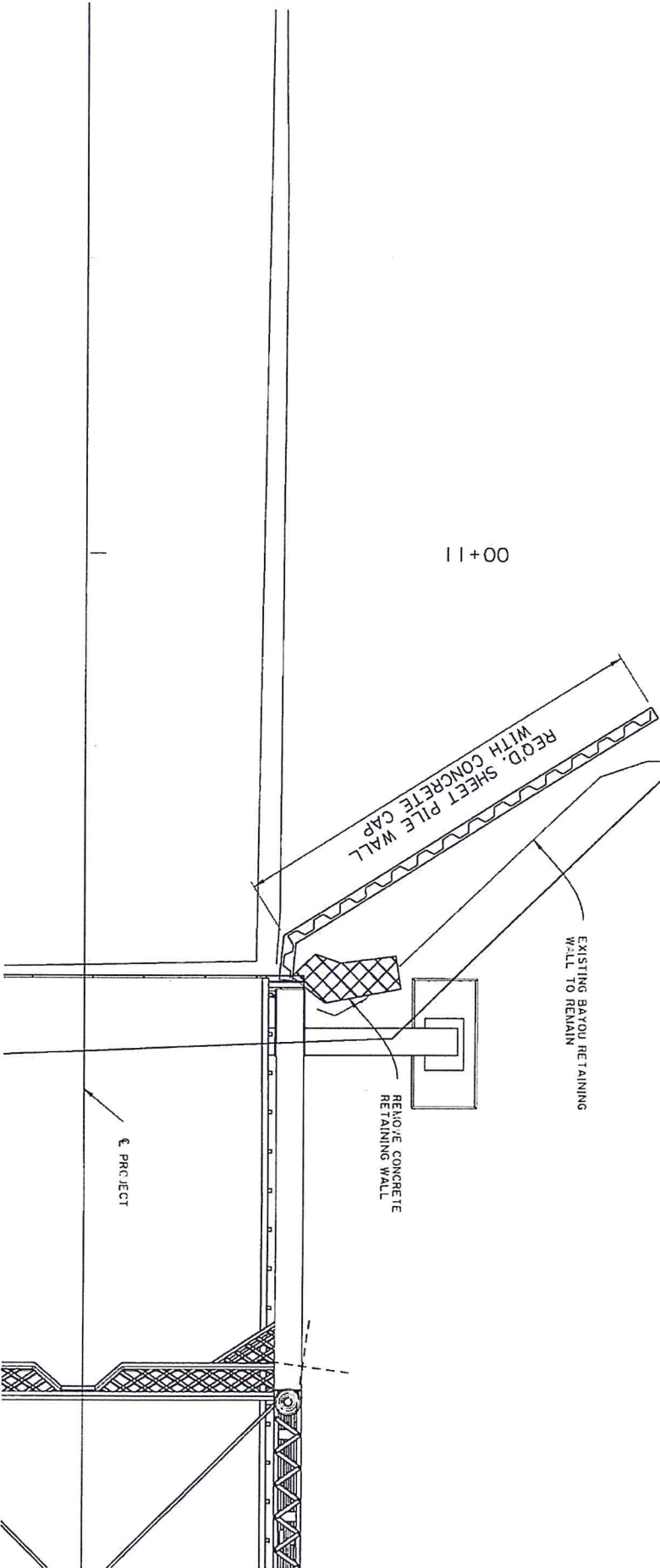
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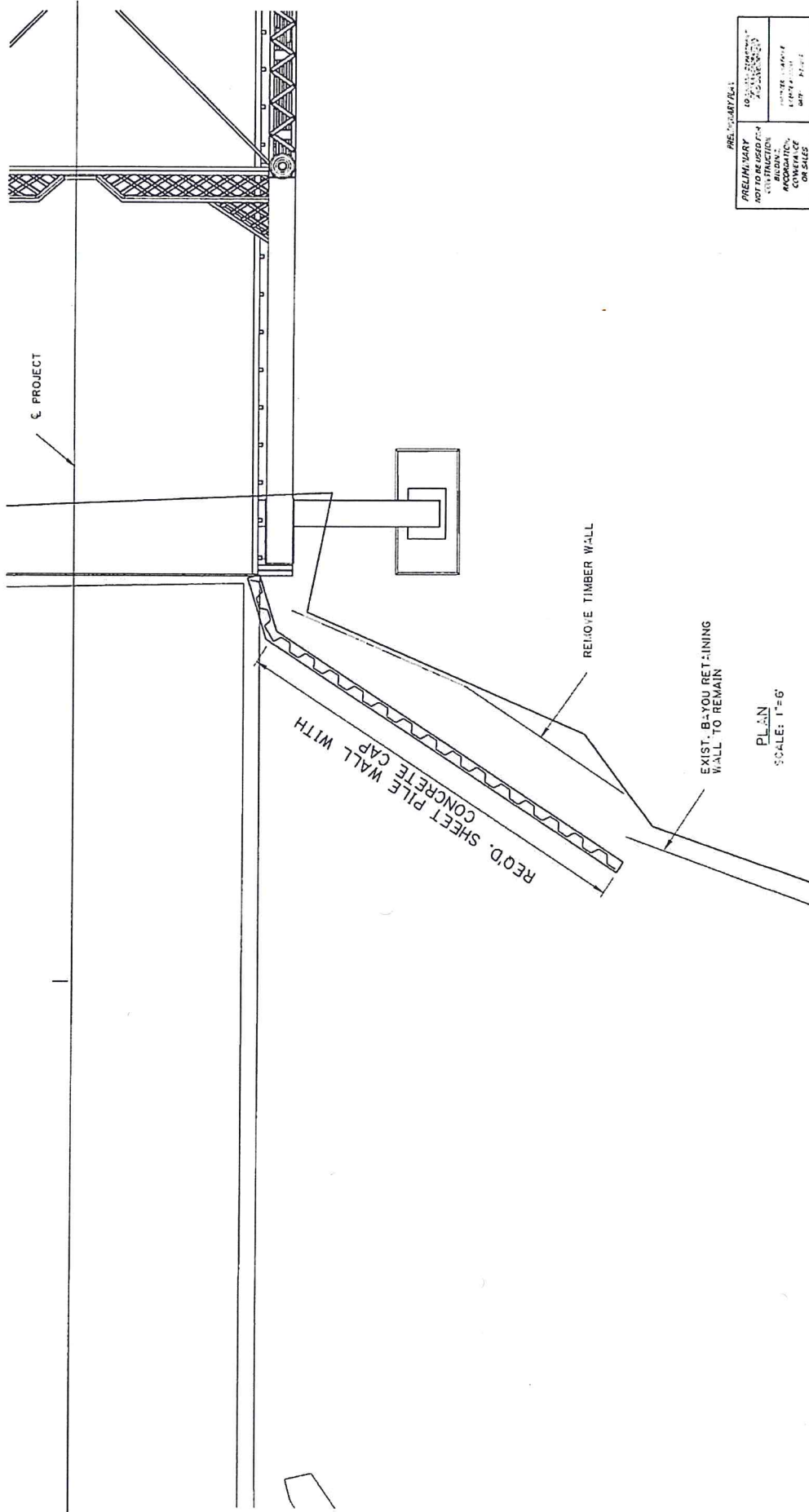
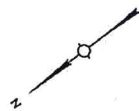
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Photo 5: Taken from the West bank looking South.



Photo 6: Timber wall that is to be replaced.



Photo 3: Taken from the East bank looking South.



Photo 4: Taken from the West bank looking to the North.



Photo 1: Concrete wall to be replaced.



Photo 2: Taken from East bank looking to the North.